

## House Resolution No.

**Whereas**, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives feel it is altogether fitting and proper to pause from time to time to recognize individuals and organizations that have contributed to the welfare of this great state and its citizens; and

**Whereas**, the members now pause to recognize the city of Gladstone, Missouri, which was named one of ten All-America Cities on June 6, 2008, by the National Civic League; and

**Whereas**, praised as an oasis of small town values, Gladstone is a suburban political subdivision that is home to approximately 28,000 persons in the northern portion of the Kansas City metropolitan area; and

**Whereas**, Gladstone qualified for the All-America City designation in light of it having addressed serious challenges with innovative, grassroots strategies that promote civic engagement and cooperation between the public, private, and nonprofit sectors; and

**Whereas**, the specific program that launched Gladstone to the top-ten level of consideration was the Gladstone Neighborhood Revitalization process that involved citizens, non-profits, and businesses and that provided citizen-driven, need-based training for citizens in conflict resolution, leadership, meeting management, property maintenance codes, and available neighborhood resources for assistance; and

**Whereas**, now in its fifty-ninth year in operation, the All-America City award program has recognized more than five hundred neighborhoods, villages, towns, cities, counties, and metropolitan regions for outstanding civic accomplishments; and

**Whereas**, the National Civic League examines civic infrastructure, community background and community challenges, and community-driven projects in order to determine each year's winners of the All-America City designation:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join to extend our most sincere congratulations to the city of Gladstone on the illustrious occasion of its being named one of ten All-American Cities by the National Civic League, with our very best wishes for continued success and prosperity; and

**Be it further resolved** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution in honor of the city of Gladstone, Missouri.

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_  
Representative Jerry Nolte  
District No. 33

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives,  
Ninety-fourth General Assembly, Second Regular Session,  
do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House  
Resolution No. \_\_\_\_, adopted \_\_\_\_, 2008.

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Rod Jetton, Speaker